## IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the Title on page 1, as follows:

## RECORDING APPARATUS AND METHOD <u>FOR GENERATING AN INDEX</u> <u>FILE FOR A CONTENT FILE</u>

Please amend the paragraph at page 20, lines 4-8, as follows:

Next, the system control unit 15 shifts to step S14 and writes invalid data for the entry number at which the above-described invalid flag is set, in each area of the thumbnail picture entry 202, the text entry 203 and the sound entry 204 on the recording medium 2, as shown in FIG. 9. In the entry in which this valid invalid data is written, a new content file can be registered.